

SENATE BILL No. 173

DIGEST OF SB 173 (Updated February 26, 2007 3:20 pm - DI 107)

Citations Affected: IC 32-30.

Synopsis: Nuisance actions. Provides that a court may award reasonable costs and attorney's fees to a forestry, agricultural, or industrial operation that successfully defends a nuisance action.

Effective: July 1, 2007.

Jackman, Steele

January 8, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters.

February 20, 2007, reported favorably — Do Pass.
February 26, 2007, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.



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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning property.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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1	SECTION 1. IC 32-30-6-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.82-2005
2	SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3	JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 7. (a) An action to abate or enjoin a nuisance may
4	be brought by any person whose:

- (1) property is injuriously affected; or
- (2) personal enjoyment is lessened; by the nuisance.
- (b) A civil action to abate or enjoin a nuisance may also be brought by:
 - (1) an attorney representing the county in which a nuisance exists;
- (2) the attorney of any city or town in which a nuisance exists.
 - (c) A county, city, or town that brings a successful action under this section (or IC 34-1-52-2 or IC 34-19-1-2 before their repeal) to abate or enjoin a nuisance caused by the unlawful dumping of solid waste is entitled to recover reasonable attorney's fees incurred in bringing the action.

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1	(d) A court may award:	
2	(1) a forestry operation;	
3	(2) an agricultural operation; or	
4	(3) an industrial operation;	
5	that successfully defends an action under this section is entitled to	
6	reasonable costs and attorney's fees incurred in defending the action.	
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SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senator Steele be added as coauthor of Senate Bill 173.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 173, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill DO PASS.

(Reference is made to Senate Bill 173 as introduced.)

STEELE, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 4, Nays 3.

SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senate Bill 173 be amended to read as follows:

Page 2, line 1, delete "shall" and insert "may".

(Reference is to SB 173 as printed February 21, 2007.)

JACKMAN





